

Town Council Meeting Minutes
December 14, 2009
6:30 pm

Rebecca Mann
Lee Collins
Robert Miller
Frank Hill, Mayor

Rich Taylor
Ron Francis
Sharon Weygand, Town Administrator
Valerie Walls, Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor Hill brought the meeting to order at 6:30pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of minutes from November 9, 2009

MOTION: Lee Collins made a motion, Bob Miller seconded to approve the minutes from November 9, 2009. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Announcements:

Frank Hill: The Town Hall Open House is December 23rd, from 4pm to 7pm. It will be a 'pot-luck' event and everyone is invited to attend.

Frank Vari: Reminding everyone of the 5K Run/Walk New Year's Day. He is also taking orders for t-shirts.

Sharon Weygand: The drilling for the 3 way stop sign will begin next week. There will be an electronic sign out warning people from the 28th through New Years.

Frank Hill: The Planning & Zoning Workshop scheduled for Wednesday has been cancelled. If there are any other meetings cancelled because of the holidays, they will be posted on the bulletin boards in the front window.

Commissioner Reports:

- Ron Francis Public Works
 Recycling
 Noise
 Water/Sewer

Received a call from Tim Kelly from the Corp of Engineers, the No Wake signs were made; they should have been metal and then came in wood. He is trying to fix the problem. The taxi dock is finished, MDE has paid the Town \$10K towards the repairs.

- Rebecca Mann Public Safety
 Charter
 Ethics

Sgt Leas gave the report from Sheriff's Department. A copy is included in the minutes book.

- Rich Taylor P&Z Commission
 Historic Commission
 Parking Committee

Report is included in the minutes book

- Lee Collins Financial
Will discuss amendments under Action Items

- Bob Miller Parks & Recreation Committee
Meeting on Wednesday with the Committee

Office Reports:

- Frank Hill Mayor – Recognizing the North side Association for the holiday decorating. Rob Penman from Artesian gave report on the Water/Sewer status. Report is included in the minutes book.
- Sharon Weygand – Administrator Report is included in the minutes book
- Valerie Walls - P&L Report is included in the minutes book

Old Business

1. Charter – January Workshop

New Business

1. Meter Installation 316 Walnut Drive – Liability Issue

Need a legal opinion for us repairing a water meter on private property.

We have to determine where the property line is and the right-a-way. There's a strip of parking that goes up both sides of the road. We need to find out whose property it is on. The meter is in a pit in the middle of the driveway. Relocating is very costly. Rich to check land records plats to see if a survey is filed with the county. Ron will be down tomorrow to check the files for a survey.

2. Fence Repair at SWWTP

Ron Francis: We have two bids, one is bid on green fence and I know its much cheaper for galvanized. I've requested them to re-bid in galvanized and have not heard back. I have one bid for \$1450 in regular fence. They will take out some of the curve to cut down on the cost. The other one I have is \$2595, and I believe that can come down.

Bob Miller: Has anyone contacted the Corp or the contractor that was dredging the canal? It was one of their trucks that caused the damage? Wasn't it handled over to LGIT? Sharon to review previous files from the former Town Administrator and Val will check to see if LGIT was contacted.

3. Tri-State – Waste Management Consent to Assignment

It is the Town's opinion that we are not obligated to sign this document because of the buy-out to Waste Management. We are obligated to Waste Management with the contract from Tri-State until the end of the contract in 2011.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Comprehensive Plan

MOTION: Lee Collins made a motion, Ron Francis seconded to approve the Comprehensive Plan as submitted by Jakubiak & Associates, Inc. All in favor; motion carried.

MOTION: Rich Taylor made a motion, Ron Francis seconded that the Town Administrator in cooperation with the Town Attorney draft a letter to Cecil County Administrator with copies to Cecil County Commissioners, Cecil County Public Schools and Maryland Department of the Environment a letter for the Mayors signature stating that it is our intent for the county to update its Master Water & Sewer Plan to be consistent with the Town's Comprehensive Plan, to connect water and sewer to Bohemia Manor Middle and High Schools. All in favor; motion carried.

2. Budget Amendments

MOTION: Lee Collins made a motion, Bob Miller seconded, to approve the presented budget amendments for both the General and the Enterprise Funds as stated. All in favor, motion carried.

3. Developers Agreement

MOTION: Rebecca Mann made a motion, Lee Collins seconded, to adopt the Developers Expense Agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

MOTION: Ron Francis made a motion, Bob Miller seconded, that either the Mayor or the Town Administrator will have the authority to sign on behalf of the Town for the Developers Expense Agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Miller: Regarding the Toys for Tots: Putting a challenge out to the Town, please contribute to the cause. People are hurting (financially) this year and it's a great organization that does a lot of good in this area.

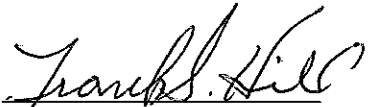
Rich Taylor: In the Wall Street Journal today, the store Santa Claus' are finding kids asking for socks, my Dad needs a job instead of the 'hot' listed toys this year. People are hurting out there. Parents do not have money to buy toys. I agree with Bob.

Elaine Shepard: Thanking whomever started putting the agenda's back on the website.

Sharon Weygand: Reminding residents of the 'Pot-Luck' Open House on the 23rd.

MOTION: Bob Miller made a motion, Lee Collins seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:08pm. All in favor; motion carried.

Submitted by: 
D. Valerie Walls, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by: 
Frank Hill, Mayor